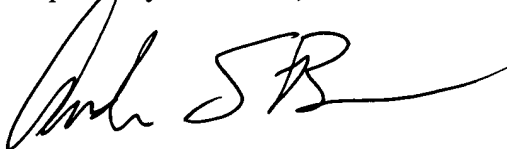


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Prompt and favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Marked-up Specification**

[The present application claims priority to U.S. provisional application no. 60/178,634, filed January 28, 2000, entitled "Method and System for Creating An Managing Databases for Clinical Trials," the contents of which are hereby incorporated herein in their entirety by reference.]

This application claims priority to and is a continuation of  
PCT/US01/02936 filed on January 29, 2001, which claims priority to US Provisional  
Application 60/178,634, filed January 28, 2000. Application PCT/US01/02936 is herein  
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